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BUYING MEAT.

There are strange sights visible these days in the markets of trade. The other day we went to a meat shop and asked for a small pot roast. The gentlemanly butcher took a great shoulder of beef from a hook, laid it on the block and heaved off a chunk about the size of our two fists, put it on the scales, wrapped it up and handed it to us, saying in the gentlest and most sympathizing voice, "75 cents." We thought of the good old days when such a chunk could have been bought for 30 cents. Of course the genial butcher was not responsible for the change. He would have sold it to us for 25 cents if he could. But the H. C. L. paralyzed him and we really had as much compassion for him as he had for us. We are looking for the day when we can buy a little chunk of beef for less money than we have, but that day seems afar. In the meantime we argue with ourselves that we eat too much meat anyhow.

WHO'S LOONEY NOW.

Under the above caption Col. George Harvey makes the following caustic comment:

"Twenty-three years ago there was a woman suffrage measure before the North Carolina legislature. By a substantial majority, it was referred to the committee on lunatic asylums.

"On the 20th day of August last, the North Carolina legislature passed a bill providing machinery for women voters in future elections. Not that the North Carolina legislature has changed its mind on the woman suffrage question. It hasn't. It voted heavily against woman suffrage only a few days before it voted to create the necessary machinery for recording the will of the women voters at the polls.

"North Carolina merely bows to the inevitable; that's all. And with characteristic North Carolina chivalry, it was one of the bitterest of the anti-suffrage bitter-enders, Harry Hrier, who offered the bill conferring on county authorities the power of admitting women voters to these ballot box privileges which an amendment to the constitution of the United States now confers upon them.

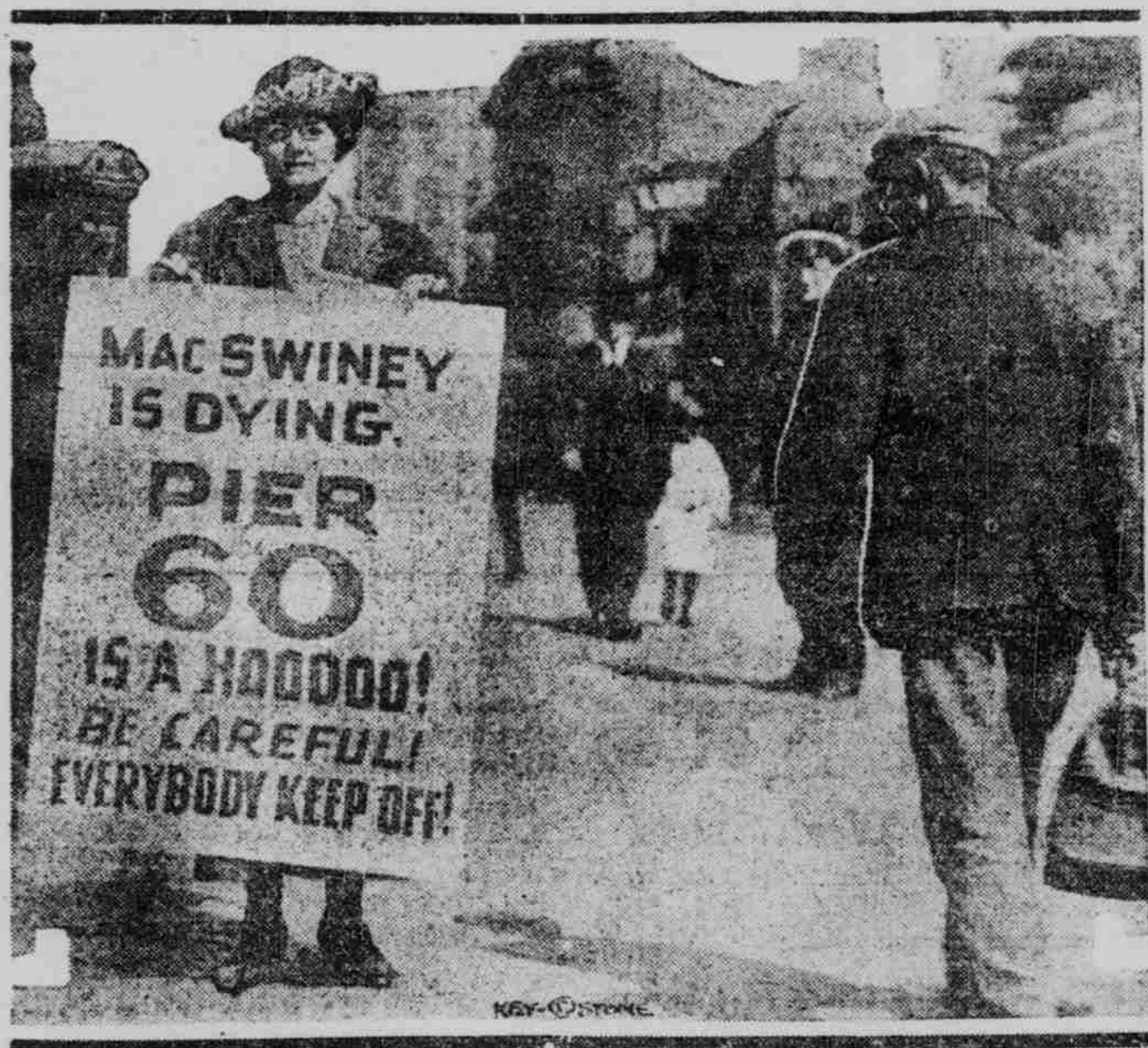
"Thus the Old North State is able to read its title clear to consistency on the one hand, and to chivalrous courtesy on the other. There is, of course, nothing surprising in that. It is what might have been expected of the old commonwealth. But there are still certain questions remaining unanswered. For instance, were the North Carolina legislators who voted to refer a woman suffrage measure to the committee of lunatic asylums themselves 'looney,' or were the legislators of thirty-six states 'looney' when they voted ratification of the woman suffrage amendment to the federal constitution?

"And again, how far was this possible lunacy of the North Carolina legislature twenty-three years ago then shared by the country at large? Here is an interesting field for experts in mass psychopathic afflictions."

ONLY U. S. SHIPS WERE TOLLED.

As president, Harding will never ask congress to reverse a fundamental policy of Americanism by the mysterious plea, "I shall not know how to deal with other matters of even greater delicacy and nearer consequence if you do not grant it to me." That was the basis of President Wilson's appeal to congress to repeal the free-tolls-for-American ships clause in the Panama Canal Act. What he asked was granted, but to this day nobody knows what was the situation "of even greater delicacy" which was saved thereby.

IRISH SYMPATHIZERS KEEP UP PICKETING IN NEW YORK



Irish woman picket at pier 60, New York harbor.

Irish sympathizers continue to make all the trouble possible for British steamships visiting New York. Pickets carrying placards

and banners with legends thereon calculated to inspire hatred toward all things English parade along the piers where English

ships are docked. The picket assigned to pier 60 is shown above. "Pier 60 is a hoodoo. Be careful!" is her warning.

HOPE OF RUSSIA HER WEAKNESS.

For many decades Russia with her vast population constituted a constant source of apprehension to the nations of Europe. Russia's desire for a warm water port and the means she might take to obtain it caused a fear to lurk in the mind of every head of government. When Russia defeated Turkey in '77-78 it was a concert of powers that prevented her from reaping the fruits of her military victory because it would give her a predominance that was disturbing.

Great Britain feared for India, though almost insuperable barriers would need be surmounted before Russia could really threaten that country. In fact every great nation of Europe kept its eyes on Russia because it was believed she had the strength to accomplish anything she might undertake. It was her enormous manpower that constituted the menace. Her upwards of 200,000,000 of people was thought to be an inexhaustible reservoir from which to draw strength for her armies.

It has been shown, however, that much of the fear that Russia inspired was groundless. Japan 15 years ago demonstrated that Russia had weaknesses that sapped her vitality. Her failure in the Great War was another illustration that she was much less to be feared as an enemy than had been suspected. Russia had and still has the man power. She has abundant undeveloped resources. But man power without capability in guidance is without its proper force. Russia could put many men in the field, but men not properly equipped, munitioned and rationed are ineffective. Corruption in her government wrought the ruin of her cause. Her authorities lacked honor. They enriched themselves at the expense of their country's life.

Russia need never have been feared had those who dreaded her power looked beneath the surface. They should have seen that she lacked in transportation, she lacked the developed resources that enable a nation to prosecute a successful war, her authorities lacked honesty. She had potential force, but efficiency in directing that force was wanting. That Russia today is fleeing before the war-weary soldiers of Poland shows that Russia has not improved under the rule of the bolsheviks. Its government heads are still of the unscrupulous type that led the Russian armies to defeat in other conflicts.

That out of the hundred and odd millions the bolsheviks are able to put in the field no greater armies shows that they represent not the aspiration of the real Russian people. Were the heart of Russia with the bolsheviks like the Poles stand for their national restoration the Russians would be able to overwhelm Poland by mere numbers without making great use of the implements of war. Russia as a military power is still weak because she is not capably led in a cause in which she has no zeal.

Yet Russia possesses potential force that would be well-nigh irresistible were her millions unified in a cause and capably and honestly directed. If the time ever comes when Russia secures an efficient, honest, upright and equitable government, if it rises to the place where its people enjoy the blessings of a just government under law, if it progresses to the point where its population is lifted out of its ignorance, if its resources are developed in keeping with twentieth century progress, then may Russia be feared by any nation or coalition that arouses her anger. It is true that her disordered state is now a menace and a great one, but a menace slight compared with what it would be did the bolsheviks represent more than a small minority of the Russian people.

It is well, indeed, for civilization that the bolsheviks are handicapped by Russian inertness. Were they backed by the entire man power of the former empire the outlook for the world would be dark. It is well that the same influences that prevailed to neutralize the power of Russia in the wars in which she engaged operate now to stay the progress of the barbarous doctrines that are recognized as essentially Russian. Russia's weakness despite her number may prove the safety of civilization.

MANY A MAN has failed to be elected to office because he talked about so many things he knew little about.

THE LESS cleverness a man has in telling a joke the more he finds it necessary to do most of the laughing.

MARRYING FOR either love or money alone is somewhat risky, but marrying for love and money seems to have its advantages.

MOST PERSONS would give up the thrills of being able to make music on the saxophone if they could learn to play on the horn of plenty.

THAT LOS ANGELES movie battle in which there were 160 casualties at least supplied a realistic scene.

"BIG JIM" DRAWING BIG CROWDS

Three Monster Church Services in Hammond are Conducted by the California White, Big Jim

One of these services was held last night when a few hundred of the high school children turned out to hear the evangelist. Many say there never was a greater service held in the city. When the speaker closed all the boys and girls stood and thanked Big Jim for his advice. When Big Jim first gave the invitation to accept Christ it looked as if there would be no response, but Big Jim held on and pleaded and then they came from all over the house and the whole church was stirred.

Sunday night Dr. Kramer will deliver his great sermon "Don't Die on Third." No man knows more baseball players than Big Jim. He delivered this sermon to 5,000 people in Los Angeles and hundreds were turned away. The entire Los Angeles team attended in a body. Dr. Kramer has been Chaplain of two baseball leagues. A mammoth crowd is looked for Sunday night at the Baptist church to hear "Don't Die on Third." Big Jim holds the record for doing big things and breaking church records. He preached to the largest religious open air audience in California perhaps any man ever spoke to in America, thousands were present at the ball park on Sunday night. He started Bob Foss, Simmons, Al Jennings and Strangler Lewis out on their religious life. All three having spoken in his pulpit.



BIG JIM

For five years in San Jose, Cal., his last pastorate, he packed and jammed his building night after night and it seated 1,800 and was the best known man in the northern part of the state and they tried to run him for congress, but Jim refused, believing a good preacher to be preferable to being a poor congressman.

He delivered in San Francisco to business men in one year 17 addresses. His church led all the Baptist churches in his convention in the number of conversions.

He has managed to have back of him some of the greatest men in America of all denominations. He has now more work than he can do for a year to come. He packs any building he preaches in.

Monday night a great service will be held in this city to be known as business men's night. All the business men of the city will be invited to attend. The Rotary club has voted to attend in a body with their wives and the chamber of commerce is back of the meeting for men. No man has boasted our city more and there is none of the constant knocking about Big Jim. All the business and professional men of the city are urged to be at the meeting Sunday night when Big Jim speaks on "Proletariat."

Crown Point

Rev. J. A. Ayling leaves the early part of next week to attend the annual conference of the Methodist church, which will be held in Lebanon, Ind., at which time the pastors in this district will be assigned their charges for the coming year.

The Chrysal club enjoyed their bi-monthly session on Thursday night and the committee in charge composed of Mrs. M. J. Smith, Misses Dana Bow, Gladys Beattie and Margaret Aulworn proved ideal hostesses.

Miss Harriet Benjamin attended a wedding of the Pan Hellenic club in Gary on Wednesday night, and was taken in as a member. The club will come to Crown Point on Saturday and be entertained at the farm home of Miss Henrietta Newton at a picnic dinner.

Mrs. Ralph Ross, county chairman of the republican women of Gary was in Crown Point on Thursday. She is hoping for a large attendance at the luncheon to be given at the Y. M. C. A. in Gary on Saturday.

Miss Helen Hixon is spending this week at home on account of their not being any school at Bluffington, Ind., where she teaches, this week.

The fire department was called to the V. A. Place home on Thursday night to extinguish a bad blaze caused by an electric iron igniting the ironing board in an upstairs room. The damage to the home was slight, but not enough of the ironing board was left to tell the tale.

The league of women voters of Crown Point will hold their next meeting in the assembly room of the court house, next Tuesday evening, Sept. 28 at 7:30. It is not necessary to be a member of the league in order to attend these meetings. Every woman is urged to come and learn all she can so as to be ready to vote intelligently.

New marriage licenses—Louis Luchawski, Hammond, Blanche Gerlach, Hammond; Booker Greer, Gary; Bertha Asher, Gary; Mike Ardman, Indiana Harbor; Mary Baros, Gary; Albert E. Carver, Alexandria, Ind.; Gertrude Burns, Hammond; Paul Macran, Whitings; Ross Piotrowski, East Chicago; Herman M. Spough, Indiana Harbor; Reale M. Berrow, Gary; William M. Mauser, Gary; Anna J. Miller, Gary; Gustav W. Fischelkorn, Hammond; Alfred I. Carlson, Hegewisch, Ill.; Ernest C. Frank, Gary; Irene C. O'Malley, West Gary; Walter Larson, Miller; Marie Myers, Miller.

LOWELL

The thermometer registered over 90 in the shade here yesterday. Thomas Arnold has got his stock of

goods moved into his new building. James Chitwood returned from Indianapolis yesterday, where he was attending the G. A. R. encampment and visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Thompson returned yesterday from a visit with their daughter and family in Bangor, Me. Harold Palmer returned to his home in Hammond yesterday after a visit here with his sister, Mrs. Harry H. Hathaway and husband.

MUSICAL COMEDY AT THE ORPHEUM

"Oh Girls," a miniature musical com.

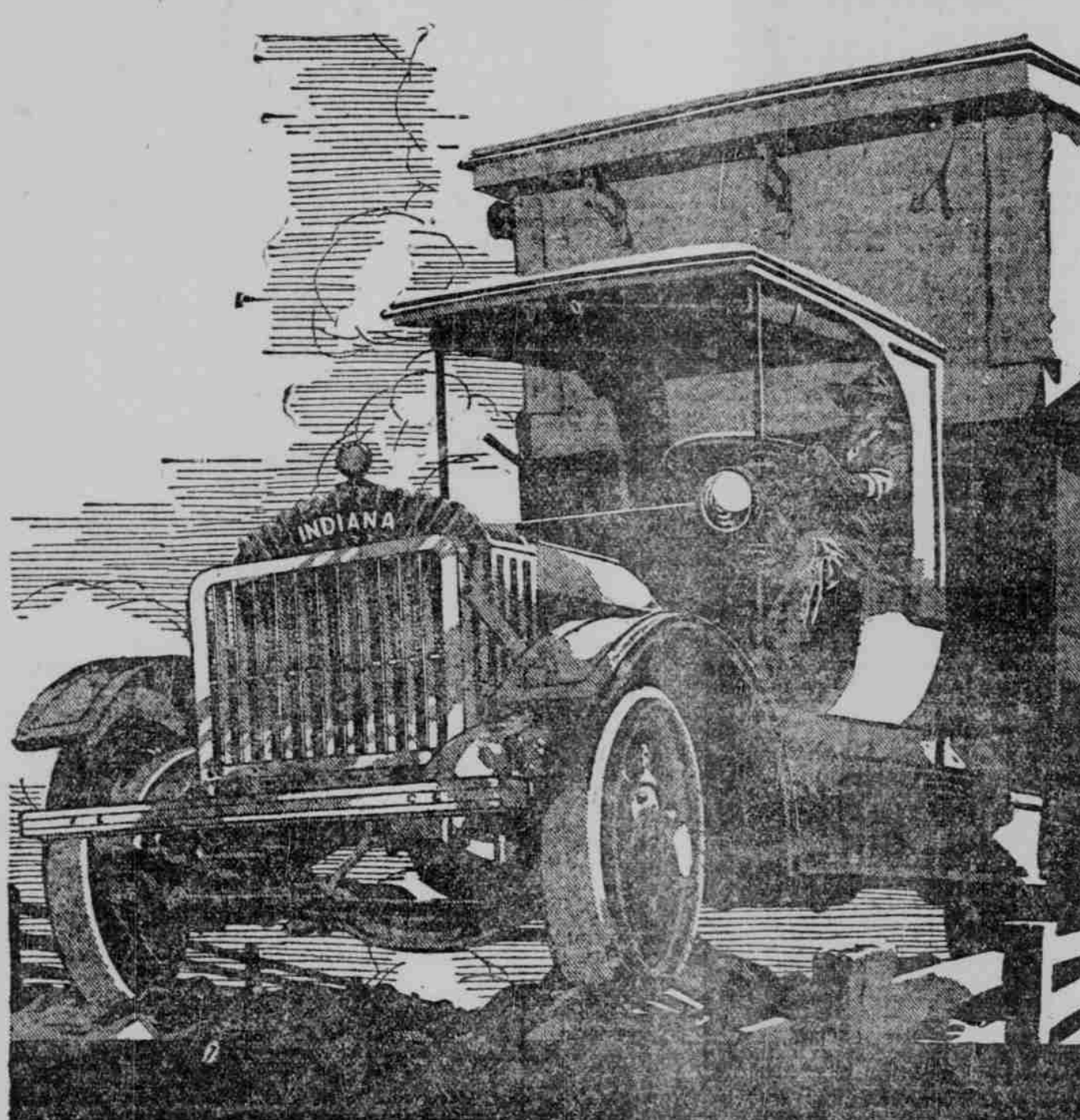
edy is the headliner on the Orpheum theater's bill for the week-end. As its title suggests, it specializes in girly bits of them. They bring with them a lavish wardrobe and plenty of good singing and dancing. However, the number on the program which will bring down the house is Britt Wood, the boob and his harmonica. It is considered positively the funniest act in vaudeville. Britt has been in Hammond often before and is known as a regular hound on the mouth organ. He is one of the highest salaried men on the vaudeville stage. There are also four other good acts on the bill.

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